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PATENT

In re Application of: Light et al.)
Serial No.: 09/582,492) Before the Examiner: J. Switzer
Filed: March 6, 2002) Group Art Unit: 1634
For: Detection of Human Papilloma)
Virus in Papanicolaou (Pap) Smears)

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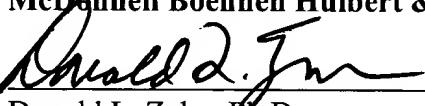
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached papers for the above-described patent application:
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